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Arguments/Remarks

Claims 1-8, and 11 are presently pending in the application. Reconsideration is

respectfully requested.

Rejections under 35 USC §103

Claims 1-8 and 11 have been rejected under 35 USC §103 as being obvious over

WO 02/22597 to Buerger et al. More particularly, the Examiner states that Buerger teaches

substituted pyrimidine compounds which have tyrosine kinase inhibitory activity, the instantly

claimed compounds only differing in that R3 is alkyl, as compared to hydrogen on the

terminal phenyl ring.

Applicants submit herewith a declaration under 37 C.F.R. 132 rebutting the obvious

rejection. Withdrawal and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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